

This comment incorporates RM-10805 through RM-10811.

It stretches credulity to believe that the Commision will devote any time to consideration of these miscellaneous petitions regarding the amateur radio service. Nonetheless, in the unlikely event this occurs, and some sort of action is contemplated, I offer the following comments.

The petitioners all have interesting takes on what will improve the amateur service. The variety and ingenuity of the ideas permits the Commission in effect to adopt a smorgasboard approach to the future of amatuer radio rules and regulations. It is quite possible that judicious choices from among the smorgasboard of proposals could produce a set of rules that are superior to those currently in effect.

That there is a need for updating of the amateur radio service's rules and regulations is beyond doubt. Attracting qualified new participants into the service who can contribute to the furtherance of the hobby and its usefulness to the nation is but one example of this need. Thus the congeries of proposals represented by the instant petitions presents the Commission with a golden opportunity--should it wish to avail itself of it--to contribute to the public interest by initiating a thoroughgoing modernization of the amateur service's rules and regulations.